



Business and Professional Women/Berea

NEXT MEETING
Wednesday, Mar 2
at 6 pm - Smokehouse Grill

March 2011

Hello BPW ladies.

Are we ever going to see spring? Looks like we got the snow out of the way, just in time for the rains. I can't wait to see the crocuses and daffodils start to pop out of the ground.



I want to thank everyone for the productive meeting we had in February. I really think we are on the right track with our upcoming plans and what we need to do to make BPW a success in Berea. I would like to also extend a warm welcome to our new members and guests.

Babara Napier is going to be our guest speaker on Wednesday, March 2nd. She owns and operates a bed and breakfast called Snug Hollow. I am looking forward to her presentation.

If anyone has any topics that they would like to discuss at the next meeting please let me know. We will have to be thinking about voting for our Professional Business Women of the year and Club Women of the year.

I hope to see everyone at our March meeting. Take care and enjoy the sunny days when you can.

Have a Great Day!
Rene' Poitra
BPW Berea President

◆ Birthdays:

March Birthdays:

- Arritta Morris – 3/3
- Edith Baker – 3/8
- Rene' Poitra – 3/29

April Birthdays:

- Jean Huffman – 4/9
- Linda Van Winkle – 4/13

Happy Birthday!!!

◆ Next Meeting:

- Smokehouse Grill,. Wednesday, Mar 2, 6:00 pm.

◆ Events:

- March All Month - Women's History Month
- March 15 - Kentucky Cardinal Deadline
- April 12 - Equal Pay Day
- April 16 - South Central Region Annual Spring Meeting - Campbellsville
- June 3-4 - KFBPW Annual Conference, Hilton Garden Inn, Bowling Green

◆ Current Officers:

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Getting Ready for National Women's History Month 2011

If we don't promote women's history, who will? **Our History is Our Strength**

Find out more at <http://www.nwhp.org/>

*Well-Behaved Women Seldom
Make History
— Laurel Ulrich*

Notes From The Web

The NWHP Champions Women's History

The NWHP mission is to recognize, honor, and celebrate women's history. Founded in Santa Rosa, California in 1980, the NWHP enjoys a nationwide presence as the number one resource for information, materials, and resources about the unfolding roles of women in American history. Visit our website www.nwhp.org.

Our HISTORY is Our Strength

The stories of women's achievements are integral to the fabric of our history. Learning about women's tenacity, courage, and creativity throughout the centuries is a tremendous source of strength.

Until relatively recently, this sphere of women's history was overlooked and undervalued. Women's achievements were often distorted, disdained, and denied. But, knowing women's stories provides essential role models for everyone. And role models are genuinely needed to face the extraordinary changes and unrelenting challenges of the 21st century.

Women's History is Everywhere

When we began our work in 1980, we realized that women's accomplishments were absent from most school curriculums. To address this problem, we pioneered National Women's History Week/Month as a focal celebration to encourage teachers to expand their lessons to include women's history.

To our joyful amazement, National Women's History Month and Women's Equality Day have furthered an extraordinary expansion of women's history events. In addition to school programs, each year there are hundreds of thousands of luncheons, events, and other celebrations held by organizations, corporations, and the federal government including military installations throughout the world. Each program focuses on recognizing the achievements of one or many women. These honorees are women from communities or organizations; others are from the national narrative; and all are women who have changed America.

Women's History is Alive and Expanding

In addition to the hundreds of wonderful engaging books illuminating women's lives, new resources and women's history sites are growing and expanding. Women's history also comes alive with the expertise of authors and presenters as well as with talented costumed performers who portray both famous and infamous women from our history with relish and panache.

Visit our website www.nwhp.org for a full listing of performers, authors, and presenters by state as well as nationally.

100th Anniversary of International Women's Day

100th Anniversary 1911 – 2011 Join a Celebration on March 8th By Susan Blair

On March 8, 1857, women from the garment and textile industry in New York staged a demonstration protesting low wages and the 12 hour workday with increased workloads. They called for improved conditions and equal pay for all working women. Their march was dispersed by the police. Some women were arrested and others trampled in the confusion.

Three years later, in March of 1860, these women formed their own union and called again for their demands to be met. On March 8, 1908, thousands of women from the garment trade industry demonstrated once more in New York, adding demands for legislation regulating child labor and the right for women to vote.

In 1910, the German labor leader Clara Zetkin proposed that March 8th be proclaimed International Women's Day (IWD) in memory of the earlier struggles of women for better lives. Over the next 60 years, March 8th was celebrated mostly in European countries. By 1967, groups in the United States began to celebrate the event and by 1970, owing to the growing women's liberation movement, events were planned in most major cities.

The United Nations designated 1975 as International Women's Year. Women's organizations and governments around the world have observed IWD annually on March 8th. They hold large-scale events that honor women's advancements, while calling attention to the continued vigilance and action required to ensure equality is gained and maintained in all aspects of life.

In 1980 International Women's Day was used as the focus for the first National Women's History Week, which in 1987 became National Women's History Month.

Invite More Women!!!
Increase the strength of our voice!!!

If you have any comments, complaints, corrections, announcements or contributions (always very welcome), please contact:
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